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**ABSTRACT.** For a non-archimedean locally convex space  $E$  we study in this paper the property

1. "Every weakly convergent sequence in  $E$  is convergent"

as related to

2. "Every continuous linear map from  $\ell^\infty$  to  $E$  is compact".

Also, we show that for a Banach space  $E$  there is a duality between these properties and the property

3. "Every  $\sigma(E', E)$ -convergent sequence in  $E'$  is norm convergent in  $E''$ ",

which has been studied by N. de Grande-de Kimpe in [1] and [2] and recently by T. Kiyosawa in [4].

## TERMINOLOGY

Throughout  $K$  is a non-archimedean valued field that is complete under the metric induced by the non-trivial valuation  $|\cdot|$ , and  $E, F, \dots$  are locally convex spaces over  $K$ . We always assume that  $E, F, \dots$  are Hausdorff.

$L(E, F)$  will be the  $K$ -vector space consisting of all continuous linear maps  $E \rightarrow F$ . The topological dual space of  $E$  is  $E' := L(E, K)$ . Also, the algebraic dual space of  $E$  will be denoted  $E^*$ . Observe that the weak topology  $\sigma(E, E')$  of  $E$  is Hausdorff if and only if  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$ .

By  $E \simeq F$  we mean that there is a linear homeomorphism from  $E$  onto  $F$ .

A nonempty subset  $A$  of  $E$  is *absolutely convex* if  $x, y \in A$ ,  $\lambda, \mu \in K$ ,  $|\lambda| \leq 1$ ,  $|\mu| \leq 1$  implies  $\lambda x + \mu y \in A$ . The absolutely convex hull of  $A$  is denoted by  $\text{co}(A)$  and the  $K$ -linear hull of  $A$  by  $[A]$ . We shall write  $\overline{\text{co}}(A)$  instead of  $\overline{\text{co}(A)}$ .

If  $p$  is a continuous seminorm in  $E$  we denote by  $E_p$  the associated normed space  $E/\text{Ker } p$ .

For unexplained terms and background we refer to [6] (locally convex spaces) and [13] (normed spaces).

## §1. (O.P.) - SPACES.

The classical Banach space  $\ell^1$  (over  $\mathbf{R}$  or  $\mathbf{C}$ ) has the property that every weakly convergent sequence is norm convergent. This fact is known as the Orlicz - Pettis Theorem. Let us define in the non-archimedean theory:

**DEFINITION 1.1.** A locally convex space  $E$  over  $K$  is called an *Orlicz - Pettis space* ((O.P.)-space) if every weakly convergent sequence is convergent (or equivalently, if for every sequence  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  in  $E$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  weakly implies  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  in the original topology).

It is well-known that  $c_0$  is an (O.P.)-space ([13], p. 158).

Also, it follows easily that if  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space, then the dual  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$ . However,  $\ell^\infty$  is a space whose dual separates the points, but, if  $K$  is not spherically complete, is not an (O.P.)-space (see [6], Remark following Proposition 4.11).

We now study some stability properties of the class of (O.P.)-spaces.

### PROPOSITION 1.2.

- a) A subspace of an (O.P.)-space is an (O.P.)-space.
- b) The product of a family of (O.P.)-spaces is an (O.P.)-space.

*Proof.*

a) Let  $D$  be a subspace of the (O.P.)-space  $(E, \tau)$  and let  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  be a sequence in  $D$  converging weakly to 0 in  $\sigma(D, D')$ . Then, certainly  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  with respect to  $\sigma(E, E')$ . Hence,  $x_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$  by assumption.

b) Let, for each  $i$  belonging to some set  $I$ ,  $E_i$  be an (O.P.)-space and let  $(x_i^1)_{i \in I}, (x_i^2)_{i \in I}, \dots$  converge weakly to 0 in the product space  $\prod_{i \in I} E_i$ . By continuity of projections  $x_i^1, x_i^2, \dots$  converges weakly to 0 in  $E_i$  for each  $i \in I$ , hence by assumption in the initial topology of  $E_i$ . But this is precisely convergence to 0 of  $(x_i^1)_{i \in I}, (x_i^2)_{i \in I}, \dots$  in the product topology.

Let us denote the locally convex direct sum of a family  $\{E_i : i \in I\}$  of locally convex spaces by  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i$ . Recall that each  $e \in \bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i$  has a unique decomposition  $e = \sum_{i \in I} e_i$ , where  $e_i \in E_i$  for each  $i$  and where  $\{i \in I : e_i \neq 0\}$  is finite.

**LEMMA 1.3.** Let  $\{E_i : i \in I\}$  be a family of locally convex spaces such that the weak topology on each  $E_i$  is Hausdorff. Then, for any weakly bounded set  $X$  in  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i$ ,

$$J := \{i \in I : \text{there exists an } x \in X \text{ with } x_i \neq 0\}$$

is finite.

*Proof.* Suppose  $J$  is infinite. Then inductively one can find  $i_1, i_2, \dots \in I$  and  $x^1, x^2, \dots \in X$  such that  $x_{i_m}^j = 0$  if  $j < m$  and  $x_{i_m}^m \neq 0$  for each  $m \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ . Then, again inductively, one can construct  $f_{i_1} \in E'_{i_1}, f_{i_2} \in E'_{i_2}, \dots$  such that for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$

$$|f_{i_m}(x_{i_m}^m)| \geq m + \left| \sum_{k < m} f_{i_k}(x_{i_k}^m) \right|.$$

If  $i \in I \setminus \{i_1, i_2, \dots\}$  we define  $f_i \in E'_i$  to be 0. Then, the formula

$$f\left(\sum_{i \in I} e_i\right) = \sum_{i \in I} f_i(e_i)$$

defines an element  $f \in \left(\bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i\right)'$ . Also for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x^m)| &= \left| \sum_{i \in I} f_i(x_i^m) \right| = \left| \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} f_{i_k}(x_{i_k}^m) \right| = \\ &= \left| \sum_{k \leq m} f_{i_k}(x_{i_k}^m) \right| \geq |f_{i_m}(x_{i_m}^m)| - \left| \sum_{k < m} f_{i_k}(x_{i_k}^m) \right| \geq m. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $X$  is not weakly bounded, a contradiction

**PROPOSITION 1.4.** *The locally convex direct sum of a family of (O.P.)-spaces is again an (O.P.)-space.*

*Proof.* Any weakly convergent sequence in the direct sum  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i$  of the (O.P.)-spaces  $E_i$  is, by weak boundedness and Lemma 1.3, contained in  $\bigoplus_{i \in J} E_i \simeq \prod_{i \in J} E_i$  for some finite set  $J \subset I$ , and also weakly convergent in that space, hence, by Proposition 1.2.b), convergent in the restricted topology of  $\bigoplus_{i \in J} E_i \subset \bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i$ .

**REMARK.** The class of (O.P.)-spaces is not closed for forming of quotients.

Indeed, let  $K$  be not spherically complete. Then  $\ell^\infty$  is not an (O.P.)-space. On the other hand, one can make a quotient map  $c_o(I) \rightarrow \ell^\infty$  if  $I$  has sufficiently large cardinal, and we shall see in Theorem 1.6 (vi) that  $c_o(I)$  is an (O.P.)-space.

However, we do have the following

**PROPOSITION 1.5.** *Let  $E$  be a locally convex space and let  $D$  be a finite dimensional subspace.*

(i) *If  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space then so is  $E/D$ .*

(ii) If  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$  and if  $E/D$  is an (O.P.)-space, then so is  $E$ .

*Proof.* An elementary reasoning shows that, if  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$ , then  $D$  is complemented in  $E$ , i.e.,  $E = D \oplus H$  for some closed subspace  $H$  of  $E$ . It follows that  $H$  is linearly homeomorphic to  $E/D$ . Now apply Proposition 1.2.a) to find (i) and Proposition 1.4 to find (ii).

To obtain examples of (O.P.)-space (in Theorem 1.6) we first recall some definitions.

Following [6] a locally convex space  $E$  is of *countable type* if for every continuous seminorm  $p$  the normed space  $E_p$  is of countable type (a normed space is of *countable type* if there exists a countable set whose linear span is dense). Also,  $E$  is *strongly polar* if for every continuous seminorm  $p$  the formula  $p = \sup\{|f| : f \in E^*, |f| \leq p\}$  holds. Finally, following [12] we say that  $E$  has *property (\*)* if for each subspace  $D$  of countable type, each  $f \in D'$  has a continuous linear extension  $\bar{f} \in E'$ .

**THEOREM 1.6.** *The following spaces are (O.P.)-spaces.*

- (i) *Any locally convex space  $E$  such that for every continuous seminorm  $p$  on  $E$ , the associated normed space  $E_p$  is an (O.P.)-space.*
- (ii) *Every locally convex space of countable type.*
- (iii) *Every locally convex space with the property (\*).*
- (iv) *Every strongly polar space.*
- (v) *Every locally convex space over a spherically complete field.*
- (vi) *Every Banach space with a base.*
- (vii) *Any vector space  $E$  equipped with the strongest locally convex topology  $\tau^*$ .*

*Proof.*

(i) We know that if  $\mathcal{P}$  is a family of seminorms determining the topology of  $E$ , then  $E$  can be considered as a subspace of  $\prod_{p \in \mathcal{P}} E_p$ . Now apply Proposition 1.2.

Property (ii) is a direct consequence of property (i).

Also, the proof of (iii) is just like the corresponding one given in [12], Theorem 5.2 for normed spaces.

Now (iv), (v) and (vi) are special cases of (iii) (see [6], Theorem 4.2 and [13], Corollary 3.18).

To prove (vii) just observe that  $(E, \tau^*)$  is linearly homeomorphic to  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} K_i$  where  $I$  has the cardinality of an algebraic base of  $E$  and where  $K_i = K$  for each  $i$ . Now apply Proposition 1.4.

## §2. (O.P.)-LIKE SPACES.

In this section we consider the following variants of the Orlicz-Pettis property.

**DEFINITION 2.1.** Let  $E$  be a locally convex space over  $K$ .

(a)  $E$  is called a (B.O.P.)-space if every bounded weakly convergent sequence is convergent.

(b)  $E$  is called a (C.O.P.)-space if every Cauchy sequence that is weakly convergent, is convergent.

Clearly we have

$$E \text{ is an (O.P.)-space} \Rightarrow E \text{ is a (B.O.P.)-space} \Rightarrow E \text{ is a (C.O.P.)-space}$$

and also that the dual of a (C.O.P.)-space separates points.

Further, it is not hard to see by looking at the proofs of 1.2 - 1.5 that the class of (B.O.P.)-spaces ((C.O.P.)-spaces) is stable with respect to subspaces, products, locally convex direct sums and quotients by finite dimensional subspaces.

The space  $\ell^\infty$ , over a nonspherically complete  $K$ , is a (C.O.P.)-space but, as we saw in §1, not a (B.O.P.)-space.

If  $E$  is a normed space, we have that  $E \text{ is a (B.O.P.)-space} \iff E \text{ is an (O.P.)-space}$ . Indeed, suppose that  $E$  is a (B.O.P.)-space and that  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  tends to zero weakly but  $\|x_n\| \uparrow \infty$ . Then there exist  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots \in K$  such that  $\{\|\lambda_n x_n\| : n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}\}$  is bounded away from 0 and  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $\lambda_1 x_1, \lambda_2 x_2, \dots$  is a bounded sequence such that  $\lambda_n x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly. Hence,  $\|\lambda_n x_n\| \rightarrow 0$ , a contradiction.

From this fact, the following question arises in a natural way:

**PROBLEM:** Is every (B.O.P.)-space an (O.P.)-space?

In 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 below we shall prove characterizations of (C.O.P.)-, (B.O.P.)-, (O.P.)-spaces respectively, yielding a comparison between these classes. Recall ([3]) that an absolutely convex subset  $A$  of a locally convex space  $E$  is said to be (a) *compactoid* if for each neighbourhood  $U$  of 0 in  $E$  there exists a finite set  $H \subset E$  such that  $A \subset U + \text{co}(H)$ .

Then,

**THEOREM 2.2.** For a locally convex space  $E$ , the following properties are equivalent.

- (i)  $E$  is a (C.O.P.)-space.
- (ii) On metrizable and compactoid sets in  $E$ , the weak topology  $\sigma(E, E')$  and the original topology  $\tau$  coincide.
- (iii) For every metrizable and compactoid set  $A \subset E$ ,  $\overline{A}^{\sigma(E, E')} = \overline{A}^\tau$ .
- (iv) Every closed metrizable and compactoid subset of  $E$  is weakly closed.



*Proof.*

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Let  $A \subset E$  be a metrizable and compactoid subset of  $E$  and let  $\hat{E}$  denote the completion of  $E$ . Set

$$E^s := \{x \in \hat{E} : \text{there is a sequence } (x_n) \text{ in } E \\ \text{such that } x_n \rightarrow x \text{ in } \hat{E}\}$$

By [8], Theorem 6.1 we have that  $\overline{A}^{E^s}$  is also a metrizable and compactoid subset of  $E^s$  endowed with the restricted topology induced by  $\hat{E}$ . Also,  $\overline{A}^{E^s}$  is complete.

On the other hand, one proves very easily that if  $E$  is a (C.O.P.)-space then the weak topology  $\sigma(E^s, (E^s)')$  is Hausdorff.

Now apply Theorem 3.2 of [7] to conclude that  $\sigma(E, E')|_A = \tau|_A$ .

The implications (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) and (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) are obvious.

Finally we prove (iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). Let  $(x_n)$  be a Cauchy sequence converging weakly to 0. By [8], Theorem 6.1 we have that  $A := \overline{co}(x_1, x_2, \dots) = \overline{co}(x_1, x_1 - x_2, x_2 - x_3, \dots)$  is a metrizable compactoid subset of  $E$ .

Metrizability of  $A$  implies the existence of a sequence  $U_1 \supset U_2 \supset \dots \supset U_n \supset \dots$  of clopen neighbourhoods of 0 such that  $\{U_n \cap A : n \in \{1, 2, \dots\}\}$  generate  $\tau|_A$ .

Take  $m \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ . Since  $(x_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence we have that  $x_k - x_\ell \in U_m \cap A$  for sufficiently large  $k, \ell$ . Also,  $U_m \cap A$  is a closed metrizable compactoid set and by (iv) it is also weakly closed. Further,  $(x_\ell)$  converges weakly to 0. Putting together these facts we conclude that  $x_k \in U_m \cap A$  for large  $k$ . Thus,  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  converges to 0 in the original topology  $\tau$ , and we are done.

**COROLLARY 2.3.** *For a locally convex space  $E$ , the following are equivalent.*

- (i)  $E$  is a (B.O.P.)-space.
- (ii)  $E$  is a (C.O.P.)-space and every absolutely convex bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable set of  $E$  is metrizable and compactoid.
- (iii)  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$  and on every absolutely convex bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable set in  $E$ , the weak topology  $\sigma(E, E')$  and the original topology  $\tau$  coincide.

*Proof.*

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). We already know that if  $E$  is a (B.O.P.)-space then  $E$  is a (C.O.P.)-space and  $E'$  separates the points. Now let  $A \subset E$  be an absolutely convex bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable subset of  $E$ . Let  $\lambda \in K, |\lambda| > 1$  if the valuation is dense,  $\lambda = 1$  if the valuation is discrete. By [6], Proposition 8.2 there exists a sequence  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  in  $\lambda A$  (and hence it is a bounded sequence) with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e_n = 0$  in  $\sigma(E, E')$  and such that  $A \subset \overline{co}^{\sigma(E, E')}(e_1, e_2, \dots)$ . Since  $E$  is a (B.O.P.)-space we conclude that  $e_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ , which implies that  $co(e_1, e_2, \dots)$  is a metrizable compactoid set ([8], Theorem 6.1). By

Theorem 2.2 it follows that  $\overline{co}^{\sigma(E, E')}(e_1, e_2, \dots)$  (and hence also  $A$ ) is a metrizable and compactoid set.

The implication (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) is a direct consequence of Theorem 2.2.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i). Let  $(x_n)$  be a bounded sequence such that  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly. Then,  $A := co(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)$  is a bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable subset of  $E$  ([8], Theorem 6.1). By (iii),  $\tau|_A = \sigma(E, E')|_A$ . Hence,  $x_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ .

**COROLLARY 2.4.** *For a locally convex space  $E$  the following are equivalent.*

- (i)  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space.
- (ii)  $E$  is a (B.O.P.)-space and every weakly bounded set is bounded.
- (iii)  $E$  is a (C.O.P.)-space and every absolutely convex weakly bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable subset of  $E$  is metrizable and compactoid.
- (iv)  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$  and for every absolutely convex weakly bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable set in  $E$ , the weak topology  $\sigma(E, E')$  and the original topology coincide.

*Proof.*

(i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). We only have to prove that if  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space then every weakly bounded set is bounded. Thus, let  $X \subset E$  be weakly bounded but not  $\tau$ -bounded. Then, there is a  $\tau$ -continuous seminorm  $p$  and a sequence  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  in  $X$  such that  $p(x_n) \geq n$  for each  $n$ . There is a  $\rho > 0$  and there are  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots$  in  $K$  such that  $\rho \leq p(\lambda_n x_n) \leq 1$  for each  $n$ . Then  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$  and, by the weak boundedness of  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n x_n = 0$  weakly. By (i),  $\lambda_n x_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$  which is impossible as  $p(\lambda_n x_n) \geq \rho$  for all  $n$ .

The implication (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) follows directly from Corollary 2.3 (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii) and the implication (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) follows from Theorem 2.2 (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii). Finally the implication (iv)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) can be proved just like the corresponding one in Corollary 2.3.

In the next section we shall study the (O.P.)-property from a different angle. With an eye on Theorem 1.6 (v) we shall assume that  $K$  is not spherically complete.

### §3. $(\infty)$ -SPACES.

FROM NOW ON IN THIS PAPER WE ASSUME THAT  $K$  IS NOT SPHERICALLY COMPLETE

**DEFINITION 3.1.** A locally convex space  $E$  is said to be an  $(\infty)$ -space if every continuous linear map  $\ell^\infty \rightarrow E$  is compact (i.e. the image of the unit ball of  $\ell^\infty$  is a compactoid set in  $E$ ).

The next theorems reveal the connection with the previous sections.

**THEOREM 3.2.** For a locally convex space  $(E, \tau)$  consider the following properties,

( $\alpha$ )  $E$  is an (O.P)-space.

( $\beta$ )  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space and every weakly bounded set is bounded.

( $\gamma$ )  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space,  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$  and every absolutely convex weakly bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable set is bounded.

Then,  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta) \iff (\gamma)$ .

If in addition  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete, then properties  $(\alpha) - (\gamma)$  are equivalent.

*Proof.*

$(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$ . It suffices, by Corollary 2.4 (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii), to show that  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space. So let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  and let  $e_1 := (1, 0, 0, \dots)$ ,  $e_2 = (0, 1, 0, \dots), \dots$  be the unit vectors of  $\ell^\infty$ .  $K$  is not spherically complete so  $(\ell^\infty)' \simeq c_o$  ([13], Theorem 4.17) and therefore for each  $y = (\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots)$  in  $\ell^\infty$  we have  $y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i e_i$  weakly. By weak continuity

$$Ty = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i Te_i \text{ weakly.}$$

By ( $\alpha$ ) the above limit is in the sense of  $\tau$ . Thus, the unit ball of  $\ell^\infty$  is mapped into the  $\tau$ -closure of  $co\{Te_1, Te_2, \dots\}$  which is a compactoid since  $Te_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ . We conclude that  $T$  is compact and that  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.

The proof of  $(\beta) \Rightarrow (\gamma)$  is elementary; we prove  $(\gamma) \Rightarrow (\beta)$ . Suppose  $X \subset E$  is weakly bounded but not bounded. Then there exist a continuous seminorm  $p$  and a sequence  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  in  $X$  such that  $p(x_n) \rightarrow \infty$ . There exist  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots \in K$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = 0$  and  $p(\lambda_n x_n) \rightarrow \infty$ . As  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$  and  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  is weakly bounded we have  $\lambda_n x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly. Then

$co(\lambda_1 x_1, \lambda_2 x_2, \dots)$  is weakly metrizable, weakly bounded, absolutely convex, hence bounded by ( $\gamma$ ). But this conflicts  $p(\lambda_n x_n) \rightarrow \infty$ .

Now assume that  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete.

$(\gamma) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$ . Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  be a sequence in  $E$  converging weakly to 0. Then the formula

$$(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) \xrightarrow{T} \sigma(E, E') - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i x_i$$

defines, by weak sequential completeness, a linear map  $T : \ell^\infty \rightarrow E$ . It maps the unit ball of  $\ell^\infty$  into the set  $A := \overline{\text{co}}^{\sigma(E, E')}(x_1, x_2, \dots)$ . Since  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly we have that  $A$  is a weakly bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable set and from  $(\gamma)$  we derive that  $A$  is bounded. Then  $T$  maps the unit ball into a bounded set so that  $T$  is continuous. By assumption  $T$  is compact. Then  $T(\ell^\infty)$  is a space of countable type ([7], Proposition 4.3). We have that  $x_n = Te_n \rightarrow 0$  in the topology  $\sigma(T\ell^\infty, (T\ell^\infty)')$ . Theorem 1.6 implies that  $x_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ .

**THEOREM 3.3.** *For a locally convex space  $(E, \tau)$  consider the following properties.*

*( $\alpha$ )  $E$  is a (B.O.P.)-space.*

*( $\beta$ )  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space,  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$  and for every absolutely convex bounded and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable set  $A \subset E$ ,  $\overline{A}^{\sigma(E, E')}$  is bounded.*

*Then,  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$ . If in addition  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete, then also  $(\beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.*

$(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$ . Observe that for each  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  and for each  $y := (\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots)$  in  $\ell^\infty$ , the sequence consisting of the partial sums  $\sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i e_i$  is bounded. As in  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$  of Theorem 3.2 we conclude that  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space. The rest follows from Corollary 2.3.

Now, assume that  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete. Then  $(\beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$  can be proved in a similar way as  $(\gamma) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$  in Theorem 3.2.

#### REMARKS.

1. There exist (C.O.P.)-spaces which are not  $(\infty)$ -spaces (e.g.  $\ell^\infty$ ).
2. Of course,  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$  in Theorems 3.2 and 3.3 is not true if the field is spherically complete.
3. There exist Banach  $(\infty)$ -spaces which are not (B.O.P.)-spaces. To construct an example we need a preliminary concept. Let us say that an *ultrametric group* is an abelian group  $G$ , together with an invariant ultrametric  $d$ . A surjective homomorphism  $\varphi : (G_1, d_1) \rightarrow (G_2, d_2)$ , where  $(G_1, d_1), (G_2, d_2)$  are ultrametric groups, is called a *quotient map* if

$$d_2(\varphi(x), 0) = \inf\{d_1(y, 0) : y \in G_1, \varphi(x) = \varphi(y)\}$$

for each  $x \in G_1$ .

The following result is crucial for our purpose.

**THEOREM 3.4.** *Let  $E, F$  be Banach spaces over  $K$ . Let  $\varphi : E \rightarrow F$  be a quotient map. Let  $D := \text{Ker } \varphi$ . Then, if  $F$  is spherically complete we have for each  $f \in E'$ ,*

$$\sup_{x \in B_E} |f(x)| = \sup_{x \in B_D} |f(x)| \quad (I)$$

(where  $B_E$  and  $B_D$  denote the "closed" unit ball in  $E$  and  $D$  respectively).

*Proof.* Suppose there exists an  $f \in E'$  such that  $\|f\| = 1$  and  $|f| \leq r$  on  $B_D$  for some  $r < 1$ . Let  $\rho : B_K \rightarrow B_K / \{\lambda \in K : |\lambda| \leq r\} =: k_r$  be the canonical surjection. With the natural quotient metric  $k_r$  is an ultrametric group (which is easily seen to be not spherically complete) and  $\rho$  is a quotient map in the sense of above. Then  $\rho \circ f : B_E \rightarrow k_r$  is a quotient map as well, which is zero on  $B_D$ . The restriction of  $\varphi$  to  $B_E$  (again called  $\varphi$ ) is a quotient map  $\varphi : B_E \rightarrow \varphi(B_E)$  whose kernel equals  $B_D$ .

There is a unique homomorphism of groups  $\psi$  making

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_E & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \varphi(B_E) \\ \rho \circ f \searrow & & \swarrow \psi \\ & k_r & \end{array}$$

commute. Since  $\varphi$  and  $\rho \circ f$  are quotient maps, so is  $\psi$ . Also, as  $\varphi$  is a quotient map,  $\varphi(B_E)$  is spherically complete. Similarly,  $k_r$  is spherically complete, a contradiction.

Now we are ready to provide examples of  $(\infty)$ -spaces which are not (O.P.)-spaces.

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Let  $E$  be an  $(\infty)$ -Banach space and suppose there is a closed subspace  $D \neq E$  satisfying property (I) of Theorem 3.4. (For example, take  $E := c_0(X)$  where  $X$  is the "closed" unit ball of  $F := \ell^\infty / c_0$ ,  $D := \text{Ker } \varphi$  where  $\varphi : E \rightarrow F$  is given by  $\varphi(\sum \lambda_x e_x) = \sum \lambda_x x$ ; now apply Theorem 3.4.)*

*For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $E_n$  be the space  $E$  endowed with the norm*

$$N_n(x) = \max(\|x\|, n \text{ dist}(x, D))$$

*Then*

$$G := \{(x_1, x_2, \dots) \in \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E_n : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N_n(x_n) = 0\}$$

*with the norm given by*

$$N(x_1, x_2, \dots) = \max_n N_n(x_n)$$

*is an  $(\infty)$ -Banach space which is not an (O.P.)-space.*



*Proof.* Firstly observe that the norms  $N_n$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  are equivalent so that, as sets,  $E'_n = E'$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Also, by property (I) it follows directly that the identity map from  $E'$  onto  $E'_n$  is an isometry.

Now we prove that  $G$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space. Let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, G)$  and for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $\pi_n : G \rightarrow E_n$  be the obvious continuous projection. Then  $\pi_n \circ T \in L(\ell^\infty, E_n) = L(\ell^\infty, E)$  is a compact map, so  $\pi_n T(\ell^\infty)$  is of countable type. Then  $T\ell^\infty$  is in the  $N$ -closure of  $\sum_n \pi_n T(\ell^\infty)$  and is therefore of countable type. Now, apply Theorem 3.9  $(\alpha) \iff (\gamma)$  below.

Finally we show that  $(G, N)$  is not an (O.P.)-space. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  choose  $u_n \in E_n$  such that  $\|u_n\| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{n}}$ ,  $\text{dist}(u_n, D) \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt[n]{n}}$  and set

$$z_n = (0, 0, \dots, u_n, 0, \dots) \in G.$$

We see that  $N(z_n) = N_n(u_n) \geq n \text{dist}(u_n, D) \geq \sqrt[n]{n}$ , so the sequence  $\{z_1, z_2, \dots\}$  is not bounded in  $(G, N)$ . On the other hand, let  $f \in (G, N)'$ . Then (see [13], Exercise 3.Q) there exist  $f_n \in E'_n$  such that

$$f((x_1, x_2, \dots)) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n(x_n) \quad ((x_1, x_2, \dots) \in G)$$

while

$$M := \sup_n N_n(f_n) < \infty.$$

We have:

$$|f(z_n)| = |f_n(u_n)| \leq \|f_n\| \|u_n\| = N_n(f_n) \|u_n\| \leq M \|u_n\| \leq M / \sqrt[n]{n}.$$

so  $z_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly. Thus,  $(G, N)$  is not an (O.P.)-space.

Next, we shall see that for  $(\infty)$ -spaces we have the same stability properties as for (O.P.) ((B.O.P.) or (C.O.P.))-spaces. To see that we need the following lemma.

**LEMMA 3.6.** *Let  $\{E_i : i \in I\}$  be a family of locally convex spaces. Then for any bounded set  $X \subset \bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i$*

$$J := \{i \in I : \text{there is an } x \in X \text{ with } x_i \neq 0\}$$

*is a finite set.*

*Proof.* Suppose we have distinct  $i_1, i_2, \dots \in I$  such that for each  $n$  there exists an  $x^n \in X$  with  $x^n_{i_n} \neq 0$ . Then there are continuous seminorms  $q_{i_1}$  on  $E_{i_1}$ ,  $q_{i_2}$  on  $E_{i_2}$ ,  $\dots$  such that

$q_{i_n}(x_{i_n}^n) \geq n$  for each  $n$ . For  $i \in I \setminus \{i_1, i_2, \dots\}$  we define  $q_i$  to be zero on  $E_i$ . Then  $q : z \mapsto \max_{i \in I} q_i(z_i)$  is a continuous seminorm on  $\bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i$ . We have  $q(x^n) \geq q_{i_n}(x_{i_n}^n) \geq n$  for each  $n$  so that  $X$  is not bounded, a contradiction.

**PROPOSITION 3.7.**

- a) A subspace of an  $(\infty)$ -space is again an  $(\infty)$ -space.
- b) The product of a family of  $(\infty)$ -spaces is again an  $(\infty)$ -space.
- c) The locally convex direct sum of a family of  $(\infty)$ -spaces is again an  $(\infty)$ -space.
- d) If  $E$  is a locally convex space such that  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$  and  $D$  is a finite dimensional subspace of  $E$ , then
  - d.i) If  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space then so is  $E/D$ .
  - d.ii) If  $E/D$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space then so is  $E$ .

*Proof.* The proof of a) is direct verification and the proof of (d) is analogous to the proof of Proposition 1.5.

b) Let  $\{E_i : i \in I\}$  be a family of  $(\infty)$ -spaces and let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, \prod_{i \in I} E_i)$ . Then  $\pi_i \circ T$  (where  $\pi_i$  is the projection onto  $E_i$ ) is compact for each  $i$ , implying that  $TB_{\ell^\infty} \subset \prod_{i \in I} \pi_i(TB_{\ell^\infty})$  (where  $B_{\ell^\infty}$  denotes the (closed) unit ball of  $\ell^\infty$ ) is a compactoid, i.e.,  $T$  is compact.

c) Let  $\{E_i : i \in I\}$  be a family of  $(\infty)$ -spaces and let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, \bigoplus_{i \in I} E_i)$ . Then  $TB_{\ell^\infty}$  is bounded so it lies in  $\bigoplus_{i \in J} E_i$  for some finite  $J \subset I$  by Lemma 3.6. Now apply b) and the fact that  $\bigoplus_{i \in J} E_i \simeq \prod_{i \in J} E_i$  to arrive at the compactness of  $T$ .

It turns out that we can sharpen statement d.ii) for  $(\infty)$ -spaces (see Proposition 3.11). As a stepping stone we prove several characterizations of  $(\infty)$ -spaces (see Theorem 3.9).

**LEMMA 3.8.** Let  $(E, \tau)$  be a locally convex space and let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$ . Then  $T$  is compact if and only if it has the form

$$(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) \mapsto \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \eta_n x_n \quad (*)$$

where  $x_1, x_2, \dots \in E$ ,  $x_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ . In particular, if  $T$  is compact then  $TB_{\ell^\infty}$  is a metrizable compactoid.

*Proof.* Suppose  $T$  is compact. Set  $x_n := Te_n$  where  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  are the unit vectors of  $\ell^\infty$ . Then  $e_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly so  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly in  $F = T\ell^\infty$ , a space of countable type,

hence an (O.P.)-space. So  $x_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} T(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) &= \sigma(E, E') - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i x_i = \\ &= \tau - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i x_i = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \eta_i x_i \end{aligned}$$

for each  $(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) \in \ell^\infty$ .

Conversely, if  $T$  has the form  $(*)$  then  $TB_{\ell^\infty}$  is contained in the  $\tau$ -closure of  $\text{co}\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$  where  $x_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ . So  $TB_{\ell^\infty}$  is a  $\tau$ -metrizable (see [8], Theorem 6.1) compactoid.

**THEOREM 3.9.** *For a locally convex space  $E$  the following are equivalent:*

- ( $\alpha$ )  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.
- ( $\beta$ ) For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  the image of the unit ball is a metrizable compactoid.
- ( $\gamma$ ) For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  the range of  $T$  is of countable type.
- ( $\delta$ ) For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  the range of  $T$  is an (O.P.)-space.
- ( $\varepsilon$ ) For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  the range of  $T$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.
- ( $\eta$ ) For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  and for every weakly convergent sequence  $y_1, y_2, \dots$  in  $\ell^\infty$ , the image  $Ty_1, Ty_2, \dots$  is a convergent sequence in  $E$ .

*Proof.* ( $\alpha$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\beta$ ) follows from Lemma 3.8. The implications ( $\beta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\delta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\varepsilon$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\alpha$ ) are obvious.

Clearly ( $\delta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\eta$ ). Also ( $\eta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\alpha$ ) follows easily by applying Lemma 3.8.

**LEMMA 3.10.** *Let  $E$  be a locally convex space and let  $D$  be a closed subspace of countable type. If  $S$  is a subspace of countable type of  $E/D$  then  $\pi^{-1}(S)$  is also of countable type, where  $\pi : E \rightarrow E/D$  is the quotient map.*

*Proof.* Let  $p$  be a continuous seminorm on  $E$ ; we produce a countable set  $X \subset \pi^{-1}(S)$  such that  $[X]$  is  $p$ -dense in  $\pi^{-1}(S)$ . There exists a countable set  $F \subset S$  such that  $F$  is  $\bar{p}$ -dense in  $S$  where  $\bar{p}$  is the quotient seminorm of  $p$  on  $E/D$ . Choose a countable set  $Y \subset \pi^{-1}(S)$  with  $\pi(Y) = F$  and a countable set  $Z \subset D$  such that  $[Z]$  is  $p$ -dense in  $D$ . Set  $X := Z + Y$ . To prove that  $[X]$  is  $p$ -dense in  $\pi^{-1}(S)$ , let  $x \in \pi^{-1}(S)$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ . There is an  $y \in [Y]$  with  $\bar{p}\pi(x - y) < \varepsilon$ , so there exists  $d \in D$  with  $p(x - y - d) < \varepsilon$ . There is a  $z \in [Z]$  with  $p(d - z) < \varepsilon$ . Then  $p(x - (y + z)) < \varepsilon$  and we are done.

**REMARK.** By taking  $S = E/D$  in the above proof we obtain the following: *If  $D$  and  $E/D$  are of countable type then so is  $E$ .*



Now we state the announced strong version of Proposition 3.7. d.ii).

**PROPOSITION 3.11.** *Let  $E$  be a locally convex space and let  $D$  be a closed subspace of countable type. Then, if  $E/D$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space then so is  $E$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$ , let  $\pi : E \rightarrow E/D$  be the quotient map. Then  $\pi \circ T$  is compact so  $(\pi \circ T)(\ell^\infty)$  is of countable type in  $E/D$ . By Lemma 3.10  $\pi^{-1}(\pi \circ T(\ell^\infty))$  is of countable type in  $E$ , hence so is  $T(\ell^\infty)$ . By Theorem 3.9  $(\gamma) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$ ,  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.

Of similar nature is the following "3-space property" for Fréchet (i.e., complete and metrizable) spaces.

**THEOREM 3.12.** *Let  $E$  be a Fréchet space and let  $D$  be a closed linear subspace of  $E$ . If  $D$  and  $E/D$  are  $(\infty)$ -spaces then so is  $E$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$ , let  $\pi : E \rightarrow E/D$  be the quotient map. By assumption  $\pi \circ T$  is compact so it has the form (Lemma 3.8)

$$(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) \xrightarrow{\pi \circ T} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n x_n$$

where  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $E/D$ . By metrizability we can find a sequence  $y_1, y_2, \dots$  in  $E$  with  $y_n \rightarrow 0$  and  $\pi(y_n) = x_n$  for all  $n$ . By completeness, the formula

$$V(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \eta_n y_n$$

defines a compact map  $V \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$ . We have  $\pi \circ (T - V) = 0$  so that  $T - V \in L(\ell^\infty, D)$ . By assumption  $T - V$  is compact and so is  $T = (T - V) + V$ .

#### §4. POLARITY.

Recall ([6], Definition 3.5) that a locally convex space  $E$  is *polar* if its topology is generated by a base of polar seminorms, where a seminorm  $p$  is *polar* if  $p = \sup\{|f| : f \in E^*, |f| \leq p\}$ .

It is natural to ask whether each (O.P.)-space is automatically polar. Let us show that the answer, in general, is no.

**PROPOSITION 4.1.** *Let  $(E, \tau)$  be an (O.P.)-space admitting a non-trivial continuous seminorm  $p$  with*

$$f \in E^*, |f| \leq p \Rightarrow f = 0.$$

*Then, there is a locally convex topology  $\tau_1$  with  $\sigma(E, E') \subset \tau_1 \subset \tau$  such that  $(E, \tau_1)$  is nonpolar but an (O.P.)-space.*

*Proof.* We may assume that  $\tau$  is polar. (otherwise take  $\tau_1 := \tau$ ). Let  $\tau_1$  be the locally convex topology induced by  $\sigma(E, E')$  and the single seminorm  $p$ . Then, clearly  $\sigma(E, E') \subset \tau_1 \subset \tau$  and hence  $(E, \tau_1)$  is an (O.P.)-space.

Suppose  $(E, \tau_1)$  is polar; we arrive at a contradiction. There is a  $\tau_1$ -continuous polar seminorm  $q$  such that  $p \leq q$ . As  $\sigma(E, E')$  and  $p$  generate the topology  $\tau_1$  we have  $q \leq \max(cp, r)$  for some  $c > 0$  and some  $\sigma(E, E')$ -continuous seminorm  $r$ . Without loss,  $r = \max(|f_1|, |f_2|, \dots, |f_n|)$  where  $f_1, \dots, f_n \in E'$ . Set  $H := \bigcap_{i=1}^n \text{Ker}(f_i)$ . Then on  $H$  we have  $p \leq q \leq cp$ . We can find a non-trivial  $g \in E'$  with  $|g| \leq \frac{1}{2c}q$ . Then  $|g| \leq \frac{1}{2}p$  on  $H$ . Since  $H$  has finite codimension we can extend  $g$  to a  $\tilde{g} \in E^*$  such that  $|\tilde{g}| \leq p$  on  $E$ , a contradiction.

To find an example of an (O.P.)-space which is not polar, take a set  $I$  with cardinality large enough to make possible a linear surjection  $\pi : c_o(I) \rightarrow \ell^\infty/c_o$ . Then  $p : x \rightarrow \|\pi(x)\|$  ( $x \in c_o(I)$ ) satisfies the requirement of Proposition 4.1 and  $(c_o(I), \tau_1)$  is the wanted space where  $\tau_1$  is the topology generated by the weak topology and the seminorm  $p$ .

The example we have above is not metrizable which is not accidental. In fact, we shall see that metrizable locally convex (O.P.)-spaces are automatically polar (see Corollary 4.4).

**LEMMA 4.2.** *Let  $E$  be a  $K$ -vector space and let  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  be locally convex topologies both induced by countably many seminorms. Suppose  $\tau_1$ -bounded  $= \tau_2$ -bounded for subsets of  $E$ . Then,  $\tau_1 = \tau_2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $p_1 \leq p_2 \leq \dots \leq p_n \leq \dots$  be a sequence of seminorms defining  $\tau_2$  and let  $q_1 \leq q_2 \leq \dots \leq q_n \leq \dots$  be a sequence of seminorms defining  $\tau_1$ . It suffices to prove that  $\tau_2 \leq \tau_1$ .

First we show that  $p_1 \leq Cq_n$  for some constant  $C > 0$  and some  $n \in N$ .

Suppose not. Then  $p_1 \leq Cq_1$  is true for no  $C > 0$  so there exists a sequence  $x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots$  in  $E$  with  $q_1(x_{1n}) \leq 1$  for each  $n$  while  $p_1(x_{1n}) \geq n$  for each  $n$ . Also  $p_1 \leq Cq_2$  is true for no  $C > 0$  so there exists a sequence  $x_{21}, x_{22}, \dots$  in  $E$  with  $q_2(x_{2n}) \leq 1$  and  $p_1(x_{2n}) \geq n$  for each  $n$ , etc.

Inductively we find a double sequence

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x_{11}, & x_{12}, & x_{13}, \dots \\ x_{21}, & x_{22}, & x_{23}, \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{array}$$

in  $E$  such that  $q_k(x_{kn}) \leq 1$  for each  $k, n$  while  $p_1(x_{kn}) \geq n$  for each  $k, n$ . We see that the diagonal sequence  $x_{11}, x_{22}, \dots$  is  $q_k$ -bounded for each  $k$  so it is  $\tau_1$ -bounded. But  $p_1(x_{nn}) \geq n$ , which implies that the sequence  $x_{11}, x_{22}, \dots$  is not  $\tau_2$ -bounded: a contradiction.

In a similar way as above we can prove that  $p_2, p_3, \dots$  are majorized by positive multiples of some  $q_n$ . It follows that  $\tau_2 \leq \tau_1$ .

**THEOREM 4.3.** *Let  $(E, \tau)$  be a metrizable locally convex space such that every weakly bounded set is bounded. Then  $E$  is polar.*

*Proof.* Let  $p_1 \leq p_2 \leq \dots \leq p_n \leq \dots$  be an increasing sequence of seminorms inducing  $\tau$ . Let, for each  $n$ ,  $\tilde{p}_n$  be the polar seminorm associated to  $p_n$  (i.e.  $\tilde{p}_n = \sup\{|f| : f \in E^*, |f| \leq p_n\}$ ). We have  $\tilde{p}_1 \leq \tilde{p}_2 \leq \dots$ , the topology induced by these  $\tilde{p}_n$  is polar. It is easily seen that  $\tilde{\tau}$  is the strongest polar topology that is  $\subseteq \tau$ . Now let  $X \subset E$ . By [6] Theorem 7.5 we have  $X$  is weakly bounded  $\iff X$  is  $\tilde{\tau}$ -bounded. Then, by assumption,  $\tau$ -bounded  $= \tilde{\tau}$ -bounded. Then  $\tau = \tilde{\tau}$  by Lemma 4.2, i.e.,  $\tau$  is polar.

**COROLLARY 4.4.** *A metrizable (O.P.)-space is polar.*

*Proof.* It is a direct consequence of Corollary 2.4 i)  $\Rightarrow$  ii) and Theorem 4.3.

#### REMARKS.

1. There are metrizable (C.O.P.)-spaces which are not polar.

*Example:* Take  $E = \bigoplus_n \ell_n^\infty$  as in [13] Exercise 4.5.  $E$  is a Banach space whose dual  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$  and which is not polar.

On the other hand, by looking at the proof of Theorem 2.2 it is very easy to see that a Banach space is a (C.O.P.)-space if and only if its dual separates the points. Then  $E = \bigoplus_n \ell_n^\infty$  as above is a (C.O.P.)-space which is not polar.

2. As we know (see p.5), every (B.O.P.) normed space  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space and hence it is polar.

Corollary 4.4 allows us to formulate the following question:

**PROBLEM.**  $E$  is a metrizable (B.O.P.)-space  $\Rightarrow E$  is polar?

Now, we shall prove interesting characterizations of *polar*  $(\infty)$ -spaces. The heart of the matter is contained in the next lemma.

**LEMMA 4.5.** *Let  $(E, \tau)$  be a polar locally convex space. Suppose  $E$  does not contain (a subspace linearly homeomorphic to)  $\ell^\infty$ . Then  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.*

*Proof.* Let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  be not compact; we derive a contradiction by showing that  $\ell^\infty$  is a subspace of  $E$ . Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  be the unit vectors of  $\ell^\infty$ . Then  $\{Te_1, Te_2, \dots\}$  is not a compactoid (otherwise,  $TB_{\ell^\infty}$ , being a subset of the weak closure of  $\text{co}\{Te_1, Te_2, \dots\}$  would be a compactoid, so  $T$  would be compact). So, there exists a continuous polar seminorm  $p$  such that  $\{Te_1, Te_2, \dots\}$  is not  $p$ -compactoid. By [11], Theorem 2 there exists a  $t \in (0, 1)$  and a subsequence  $z_1, z_2, \dots$  of  $Te_1, Te_2, \dots$  that is  $t$ -orthogonal with respect to  $p$  and such that  $\inf_n p(z_n) > 0$ . Without loss, assume  $p(z_n) \geq 1$  for each  $n$ .

Now, inductively we shall construct a subsequence  $u_1, u_2, \dots$  of  $z_1, z_2, \dots$  and  $f_1, f_2, \dots \in E'$  such that  $|f_n| \leq 2t^{-1}p$  for all  $n$  and

$$|f_m(u_n)| = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m > n \\ 1 & \text{if } m = n \end{cases}, |f_m(u_n)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \text{ if } m < n$$

To do that, observe that the function  $h_1 : \lambda z_1 \mapsto \lambda$  ( $\lambda \in K$ ) satisfies  $|h_1| \leq p$ . By polarity it can be extended to an  $f_1 \in E'$  such that  $|f_1| \leq 2p$ . Set  $u_1 := z_1$ . Suppose  $f_1, \dots, f_{m-1}$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_{m-1}$  are chosen with the required properties. Since  $Te_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly we have  $z_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly. So we can find a  $k$  (larger than the indexes with respect to  $z$  of  $u_1, \dots, u_{m-1}$ ) such that  $|f_1(z_n)| \leq 1/2, \dots, |f_{m-1}(z_n)| \leq 1/2$  for  $n \geq k$ . Choose  $u_m := z_k$ . The function  $h_m : \lambda_1 u_1 + \dots + \lambda_m u_m \mapsto \lambda_m$  ( $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m \in K$ ) satisfies  $|h_m| \leq t^{-1}p$  so it can be extended to a function  $f_m \in E'$  such that  $|f_m| \leq 2t^{-1}p$ . We see that  $f_1, \dots, f_m$  and  $u_1, \dots, u_m$  have the required properties.

Now, we have that  $u_1, u_2, \dots$  is a subsequence, say  $Te_{i_1}, Te_{i_2}, \dots$  of  $Te_1, Te_2, \dots$ . Define a linear isometry  $\Omega : \ell^\infty \rightarrow \ell^\infty$  by the formula

$$(\Omega(y_1, y_2, \dots))_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \notin \{i_1, i_2, \dots\} \\ y_n & \text{if } n \in \{i_1, i_2, \dots\} \end{cases}$$

and set  $S := T \circ \Omega$ . Then obviously  $S \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  and  $S$  is described by the formula

$$S(y_1, y_2, \dots) = \sigma(E, E') - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n u_n.$$

Finally let  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots) \in \ell^\infty$ ,  $y \neq 0$ . There is an  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|y_m| > \frac{1}{2}\|y\|$ . We have  $p(Sy) \geq \frac{1}{2}t|f_m(Sy)| = \frac{1}{2}t|\sum_{n \geq m} y_n f_m(u_n)|$ . If  $n > m$  we have  $|y_n f_m(u_n)| \leq \frac{1}{2}|y_n| \leq \frac{1}{2}\|y\|$  whereas  $|y_m f_m(u_m)| = |y_m| > \frac{1}{2}\|y\|$  so  $p(Sy) \geq \frac{1}{2}\|y\|$  implying that  $S$  is a linear homeomorphism from  $\ell^\infty$  onto  $S(\ell^\infty) \subset E$  which gives the desired contradiction.

**LEMMA 4.6.** *Let  $E$  be a polar locally convex space and let  $i : \ell^\infty \rightarrow E$  be a linear homeomorphism of  $\ell^\infty$  onto  $i(\ell^\infty)$ . Then there exists a continuous linear map  $P : E \rightarrow \ell^\infty$  such that  $P \circ i$  is the identity on  $\ell^\infty$ .*

*Proof.* There exists a continuous polar seminorm  $p$  on  $E$  such that  $x \mapsto p(i(x))$  ( $x \in \ell^\infty$ ) is equivalent to the standard norm on  $\ell^\infty$ . Let  $\bar{p} : E/\text{Ker } p \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be the quotient norm of  $p$  and let  $\pi : E \rightarrow E/\text{Ker } p$  be the quotient map. The map

$$\pi \circ i : \ell^\infty \rightarrow E \rightarrow E/\text{Ker } p$$

is a linear homeomorphism of  $\ell^\infty$  into the normed space  $(E/\text{Ker } p, \bar{p})$ . Then (see [10]) there exists a linear continuous map  $Q : (E/\text{Ker } p, \bar{p}) \rightarrow \ell^\infty$  such that  $Q \circ \pi \circ i$  is the identity on  $\ell^\infty$ . Now set  $P := Q \circ \pi$ .

**COROLLARY 4.7.** *For a polar locally convex space  $(E, \tau)$  the following are equivalent.*

- (a)  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.
- (b) For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$ ,  $Te_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $E$  (where  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  are the unit vectors of  $\ell^\infty$ ).
- (c) For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  the restriction  $T|_{c_0}$  is compact.
- (d)  $E$  does not contain a subspace linearly homeomorphic to  $\ell^\infty$ .
- (e)  $E$  does not contain a complemented subspace linearly homeomorphic to  $\ell^\infty$ .

*If in addition  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete, properties (a) – (e) are equivalent to*

- (f)  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space.
- (g) Every bounded absolutely convex and  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable subset of  $E$  is compactoid.
- (h) If  $F$  is a locally convex space and  $T \in L(F, E)$  then  $T$  maps weakly convergent sequences in  $F$  into convergent sequences in  $E$ .

*Proof.*

(a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) follows by Theorem 3.9  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\eta)$ .

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c). Let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$ . Given  $x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n e_n$  in  $c_o$  we have  $Tx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n T e_n$ . So  $T$  maps the unit ball of  $c_o$  into  $\overline{co}\{T e_1, T e_2, \dots\}$  which is a compactoid set since  $T e_n \rightarrow 0$ .

(c)  $\Rightarrow$  (d) is obvious; (d)  $\Rightarrow$  (e) and (e)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) follow from Lemmas 4.5 and 4.6.

Now assume that  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete.

The equivalence (a)  $\iff$  (f) is a direct consequence of Theorem 3.2  $(\alpha) \iff (\beta)$ .

The implication (f)  $\Rightarrow$  (g) follows from Corollary 2.4 i)  $\Rightarrow$  iii).

(g)  $\Rightarrow$  (h). Let  $F$  be a locally convex space and let  $T \in L(F, E)$ . If  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly in  $F$  clearly we have  $T x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly in  $E$ , so ([8], Theorem 6.1)  $\overline{co}^{\sigma(E, E')}\{T x_1, T x_2, \dots\}$  is  $\sigma(E, E')$ -metrizable and by (g) it is a compactoid set. Thus,  $T x_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\tau$ .

Finally, observe that by taking  $F = \ell^\infty$  in property (h) we derive property  $(\eta)$  of Theorem 3.9 and hence  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.



## §5. METRIZABLE (O.P.)-SPACES.

**PROPOSITION 5.1.** *Let  $(E, \tau)$  be a metrizable locally convex space and let  $D$  be a dense subspace of  $E$ . If  $D$  is an (O.P.)-space then so is  $E$ .*

*Proof.* There is an invariant metric  $d$  on  $E$  inducing  $\tau$ . Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  be a sequence in  $E$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$  in  $\sigma(E, E')$ . For each  $n$ , choose a  $y_n \in D$  with  $d(x_n, y_n) \leq \frac{1}{n}$ . Then  $x_n - y_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$  so  $x_n - y_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\sigma(E, E')$  and also  $y_n = y_n - x_n + x_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\sigma(E, E')$  hence in  $\sigma(D, D')$ . Since  $D$  is an (O.P.)-space,  $y_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ . But then  $x_n = x_n - y_n + y_n \xrightarrow{\tau} 0$ .

**PROBLEM.** Does the conclusion hold if we drop the metrizability condition?

A standard application of the Closed Graph Theorem yields the following lemma.

**LEMMA 5.2.** *Let  $(E, \tau_1), (F, \tau_2)$  be Fréchet spaces and let  $T : E \rightarrow F$  be a linear map. Suppose  $(F, \tau_2)'$  separates the points of  $F$  and that  $T : (E, \tau_1) \rightarrow (F, \sigma(F, F'))$  is continuous. Then  $T : (E, \tau_1) \rightarrow (F, \tau_2)$  is continuous.*

The following results give some characterizations of metrizable (O.P.)-spaces.

**THEOREM 5.3.** *For a Fréchet space  $E$  the following are equivalent:*

- ( $\alpha$ )  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space.
- ( $\beta$ )  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$ ,  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete,  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.

*Proof.*

( $\alpha$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\beta$ ). That  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space with separating dual follows from Theorem 3.2

( $\alpha$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\beta$ ).

Also if  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  is weakly Cauchy then  $x_{n+1} - x_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly hence strongly. As  $E$  is Fréchet,  $x_n \rightarrow x$  strongly for some  $x \in E$ , hence weakly. Then,  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete.

( $\beta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\alpha$ ). Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  be a sequence in  $E$  tending weakly to 0. Then the formula

$$(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) \xrightarrow{T} \sigma(E, E') = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \eta_i x_i$$

defines, by weakly sequential completeness a linear map  $T : \ell^\infty \rightarrow E$ . It is easily seen that  $T$  is strong to weak continuous. By Lemma 5.2,  $T$  is continuous. By Theorem 3.9 ( $\alpha$ )  $\iff$  ( $\eta$ ) we conclude that  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  in the initial topology of  $E$ .

**THEOREM 5.4.** *For a metrizable locally convex space  $E$  the following are equivalent.*

- ( $\alpha$ )  *$E$  is a complete (O.P.)-space.*
- ( $\beta$ )  *$E$  is a polar weakly sequentially complete  $(\infty)$ -space.*

*Proof.* ( $\alpha$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\beta$ ) follows from Theorem 5.3 and Corollary 4.4. To prove ( $\beta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\alpha$ ) observe that from Theorem 3.2 ( $\beta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\alpha$ ) it follows that  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space. To prove completeness, let  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $E$ . It is weakly Cauchy so that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  weakly for some  $x \in E$ . Since  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space we conclude that  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in the initial topology of  $E$ .

For metrizable  $(\infty)$ -spaces we have the following extension of Corollary 4.7.

**PROPOSITION 5.5.** *For a polar Fréchet space the following are equivalent.*

- ( $\alpha$ )  *$E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.*
- ( $\beta$ ) *No continuous linear map  $\ell^\infty \rightarrow E$  is semi-Fredholm (A continuous linear map  $T$  is semi-Fredholm if its Kernel,  $\text{Ker}(T)$  is finite dimensional and its range,  $T\ell^\infty$ , is closed).*
- ( $\gamma$ ) *For every  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  there exists a compact map  $S \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  such that  $\text{Ker}(T - S)$  is infinite dimensional.*

*Proof.*

( $\alpha$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\beta$ ). Assume there exists a semi-Fredholm  $T : \ell^\infty \rightarrow E$ . Then the corresponding bijection  $\ell^\infty / \text{Ker}(T) \rightarrow T\ell^\infty$  is a linear isomorphism ([5], Corollary 2.75). Compactness of  $T$  implies that the canonical quotient map  $\ell^\infty \rightarrow \ell^\infty / \text{Ker}(T)$  is compact, a contradiction.

( $\beta$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\alpha$ ) follows directly from Corollary 4.7 (d)  $\Rightarrow$  (a).

( $\alpha$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\gamma$ ) is obvious. (Choose  $S := T$ .)

( $\gamma$ )  $\Rightarrow$  ( $\alpha$ ) is also a consequence of Corollary 4.7 (d)  $\Rightarrow$  (a): Observe that if there is an injection  $i : \ell^\infty \rightarrow E$  such that  $i(\ell^\infty)$  is isomorphic to  $\ell^\infty$ , then by ( $\gamma$ ) there is a compact map  $S \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  such that  $\text{Ker}(i - S)$  is infinite dimensional. Since  $i \mid \text{Ker}(i - S) = S \mid \text{Ker}(i - S)$  we derive that the restriction  $i \mid \text{Ker}(i - S)$  is a compact map, which is impossible (see [13], Theorem 4.40).



## §6. BANACH (O.P.)-SPACES.

The following definition is in a sense dual to the definition of  $(\infty)$ -space (see 3.1).

**DEFINITION 6.1.** A locally convex space  $E$  is said to be a  $(0)$ -space if every continuous linear map  $T : E \rightarrow c_0$  is compact (i.e., there exists a continuous seminorm  $p$  on  $E$  such that  $T\{x \in E : p(x) \leq 1\}$  is a compactoid in  $c_0$ ).

In this section we study, for Banach spaces, the duality between  $(0)$ -spaces on one hand and  $(\infty)$ -spaces or (O.P.)-spaces on the other.

$(0)$ -SPACES have been studied by N. DE GRANDE - DE KIMPE in [1] and [2] (here the base field was spherically complete) and by T. KIYOSAWA in [4]. Putting together Theorem 8 of [2] (which also works for non-spherically complete fields) and Theorem 14 of [4] we obtain the following characterizations of Banach  $(0)$ -spaces.

**THEOREM 6.2.** (see [2] and [4]). *For a Banach space  $E$  the following are equivalent.*

- ( $\alpha$ )  $E$  is a  $(0)$ -space.
- ( $\beta$ )  $E$  does not contain a complemented subspace linearly homeomorphic to  $c_0$  (Recall that every infinite dimensional Banach space contains a subspace which is isomorphic to  $c_0$ ).
- ( $\gamma$ ) No quotient of  $E$  is isomorphic to  $c_0$ .
- ( $\delta$ ) In  $E'$  is every  $\sigma(E', E)$ -convergent sequence also norm convergent.
- ( $\varepsilon$ ) Let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence of compact continuous linear maps from  $E$  to a Banach space  $F$ , converging pointwise to  $T$ . Then  $T$  is compact.
- ( $\eta$ ) The space  $C(E, c_0)$  of compact continuous linear maps from  $E$  to  $c_0$  is complemented in  $L(E, c_0)$ .

From this result we derive

**COROLLARY 6.3.** *For a polar Banach space  $E$  we have the following.*

- (i)  $E$  is a  $(0)$ -space  $\iff E'$  is an (O.P.)-space  $\iff E'$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.
- (ii)  $E'$  is a  $(0)$ -space  $\Rightarrow E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space.

*If in addition there exists a closed subspace  $D$  of  $E''$  (the bidual of  $E$ ) such that  $D$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space and  $E''/D$  is isomorphic to  $E$  (e.g., when  $E$  is reflexive), then*

- (iii)  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space  $\Rightarrow E'$  is a  $(0)$ -space.

*Proof.*

(i) Assume  $E$  is a (0)-space and let  $f_1, f_2, \dots$  be a sequence in  $E'$  such that  $f_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\sigma(E', E'')$ . Then  $f_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\sigma(E', E)$  and from Theorem 6.2  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\delta)$  we obtain that  $f_1, f_2, \dots$  is norm convergent in  $E'$ , i.e.  $E'$  is an (O.P.)-space.

Clearly, if  $E'$  is an (O.P.)-space then  $E'$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space (see Theorem 3.2).

Now assume  $E'$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space and let  $T \in L(E, c_o)$ . Since  $T' \in L(\ell^\infty, E')$  is compact we derive that  $T$  is also compact ([9], Proposition 5.8), i.e.  $E$  is a (0)-space.

Property (ii) follows directly from the definition of  $(\infty)$ - and (0)-spaces and from [9], Proposition 5.8.

(iii) Theorem 3.12 implies that under the assumptions of (iii),  $E''$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space. Now apply (i) to conclude that  $E'$  is a (0)-space.

**PROBLEM.** Let  $E$  be a Banach space. If  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space, does it imply that  $E'$  is a (0)-space?

#### REMARKS.

1. Let  $I$  be a small set (i.e. the cardinality of  $I$  is nonmeasurable). By [13] Theorem 4.21,  $c_o(I)$  is a reflexive Banach space and by Theorem 1.6 vi) it is also a  $(\infty)$ -space. Applying Corollary 6.3 (iii) we deduce that  $\ell^\infty(I)$  is a (0)-space. Also we have (we like to thank Arnoud van Rooij for the proof)

**PROPOSITION 6.4.** *If  $K$  is small then for every index set  $I$ ,  $\ell^\infty(I)$  is a (0)-space.*

*Proof.*

Let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty(I), c_o)$ . Since  $K$  is small,  $c_o$  is also small. So, there exists a small set  $A \subset \ell^\infty(I)$  such that  $TA = T\ell^\infty(I)$ .

Define in  $I$  the following equivalence relation

$$i_1 \sim i_2 \iff a(i_1) = a(i_2) \quad \forall a \in A$$

and let  $[i]$  denote the class of  $i \in I$ . Let  $J$  be the collection of these classes. Let  $\pi : I \rightarrow J$  be the canonical surjection. Then  $\pi$  induces a continuous linear map  $P : \ell^\infty(J) \rightarrow \ell^\infty(I)$ . It is easily seen that  $A \subset P\ell^\infty(J)$ .

There is also an injection  $J \xrightarrow{\varphi} K^A$  given by:

If  $[i] \in J$ , then  $\varphi([i])$  is the map  $a \mapsto a(i)$ .

Then  $J$  is also small.

Thus by the above remark,  $T \circ P : \ell^\infty(J) \rightarrow c_o$  is compact. But  $(T \circ P)(\ell^\infty(J)) \supset T(A) = T\ell^\infty(I)$ . Hence,  $T$  is compact ([13], Theorem 4.40).

2. The "duals" of the properties  $(\alpha) - (\delta)$  in Theorem 6.2 have been studied in this paper (see Corollaries 4.7 and 6.3). Property  $(\varepsilon)$  has also a counterpart. In fact, we have

**PROPOSITION 6.5.** *Let  $E$  be a weakly sequentially complete Banach space such that  $E'$  separates the points of  $E$ . Then the following are equivalent.*

- ( $\alpha$ )  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space.*
- ( $\beta$ ) Let  $F$  be a Banach (0)-space and let  $(T_n)$  be a sequence of compact continuous linear maps from  $F$  to  $E$  such that  $T_n(y) \rightarrow T(y)$  in  $\sigma(E, E')$  for each  $y \in F$ . Then  $T$  is compact.*

*Proof.*

$(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$ . Let  $F$  and  $(T_n)$  be as in  $(\beta)$ . By (O.P.) we have that  $T_n(y) \rightarrow T(y)$  in norm for each  $y \in F$ . Now apply Theorem 6.2  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\varepsilon)$  to conclude that  $T$  is compact.

$(\beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$ . By Theorem 5.3 it suffices to prove that  $E$  is an  $(\infty)$ -space. So let  $T \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  and for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $T_m : \ell^\infty \rightarrow E$  be given by

$$(\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots) \mapsto \sum_{n=1}^m \eta_n T e_n.$$

It follows easily that  $T_m(x) \rightarrow T(x)$  in  $\sigma(E, E')$  for each  $x \in \ell^\infty$ . Also, every  $T_m$  is a continuous linear map of finite rank, so it is compact. By  $(\beta)$  we conclude that  $T$  is compact.

Observe that in property  $(\beta)$  of Proposition 6.5 the condition of  $F$  being a (0)-space cannot be dropped. In fact, take  $E = F = c_0$  and let  $T_n : c_0 \rightarrow c_0$  be given by

$$T_n(x_1, x_2, \dots) = (x_1, \dots, x_n, 0, 0, \dots) \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Then  $(T_n)$  is a sequence of finite rank (and hence compact) continuous linear maps converging pointwise to the identity map on  $c_0$ , which is not compact.

3. By considering the "dual counterpart" of property  $(\eta)$  in Theorem 6.2, we obtain - for Banach spaces - the following improvement of Theorem 3.2.

**PROPOSITION 6.6.** *For a Banach space  $E$  we consider the following properties:*

- ( $\alpha$ )  $E$  is an (O.P.)-space.*
  - ( $\beta$ ) The space  $C(\ell^\infty, E)$  of all compact continuous linear maps from  $\ell^\infty$  to  $E$  is complemented in  $L(\ell^\infty, E)$  and every weakly bounded set in  $E$  is bounded.*
- Then  $(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$ . If, in addition,  $E$  is weakly sequentially complete we have also  $(\beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.*

$(\alpha) \Rightarrow (\beta)$  follows from Theorem 3.2.

$(\beta) \Rightarrow (\alpha)$  can be proved similarly to Theorem 14 of [4]. In fact, observe that if  $E$  is not an (O.P.)-space there exists a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $E$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $\sigma(E, E')$  and  $1 \leq \|x_n\| \leq 1/|\pi| \forall n$  (where  $\pi \in K, |\pi| > 1$  is fixed). For  $\lambda = (\lambda_n) \in \ell^\infty$  we define  $H_\lambda \in L(\ell^\infty, E)$  by  $H_\lambda(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) = \sigma(E, E') - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n \lambda_n x_n$   $((\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) \in \ell^\infty)$ . From now we can follow the proof as in Theorem 14 of [4].

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